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INFO USMISSION EC BRUSSELS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, UNCTAD, GW

SUBJECT: UNCTAD QUESTIONNAIRE ON JUTE AND JUTE
PRODUCTS

REF: (A) STATE 100145, (B) STATE 95108, (C) EC BRUSSELS
04614, (D) BONN 07319

1. AS INSTRUCTED IN REF A, EMBASSY OFFICER DELIVERED
COPY OF PROPOSED U.S. RESPONSE TO QUESTIONNAIRE TO
ECONMIN 4 MAY AND SUBSEQUENTLY DISCUSSED PROBLEM WITH
KNOTTE IN ECONMIN.

2. KNOTTE REPORTED THAT AT 29 APRIL EC MEETING
REGARDING UNCTAD QUESTIONNAIRE, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT
THERE WAS NO CONSENSUS IN EC AS TO HOW TO ANSWER
QUESTION, DUE TO FACT THAT NOT ALL MEMBERS RECEIVED
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QUESTIONNAIRE AND GERMANY STILL ONLY MEMBER OF EC WITH
RESERVATIONS REGARDING HARMONIZATION QUESTION. THERE-
FORE, AT 18 MAY EC MEETING, GERMAN DELEGATE (BERZAU)
WILL PRESENT FOR DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL, LETTER ALONG
LINES OF U.S. PROPOSED RESPONSE, STATING THAT EC IS
STILL WORKING ON MATTER, BUT POINTING OUT TO UNCTAD
THAT ONE MEMBER (GERMANY) STATED RESERVATIONS ON

QUESTION OF HARMONIZATION.

3. AT 18 MAY MEETING, GERMANS WILL POINT OUT THAT ONCE EC ENTERS DISCUSSION BY SUPPLYING DATA, EC CANNOT WITHDRAW FROM DISCUSSION. THEREFORE, GERMANS WILL INSIST THAT THEIR PREVIOUSLY STATED RESERVATIONS MUST BE REFLECTED IN ANY REPLY BY EC. AS A RESULT, GERMANS EXPECT THAT NOTHING IN SUBSTANCE WILL BE PRESENTED BY EC TO UNCTAD.

4. KNOTTE ADDED THAT AT 2ND PREPCOM MEETING IN GENEVA, GERMANY WILL MAINTAIN ITS RESERVATIONS AND WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF QUESTION OF HARMONIZATION.

5. FOR GENEVA: KNOTTE WILL BE IN GENEVA WEEK 16 MAY FOR COPPER DISCUSSIONS AND LOOKS FORWARD TO DISCUSSING WHOLE QUESTION OF JUTE WITH HEWITT.
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